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STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION  
**CALIFORNIA'S TAX BOARD**

April 24, 2013

The Honorable Diane Harkey  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: SPONSOR AB 833 (Harkey)**

Dear Assembly Member Harkey,

I am writing to express my sponsorship and strong support of your Assembly Bill 833.

AB 833 would lay the foundation for a single taxpayer portal combining the activities of the Board of Equalization, the Franchise Tax Board and the Employment Development Department. When people know how to comply with California's complex tax laws, the vast majority of them do. By streamlining this aspect of government, we can simplify the process of paying taxes and improve compliance rates.

It is in the best interest of all parties involved to make the tax process as simple and efficient as possible. By bringing together the three major tax agencies on a single website, we will save taxpayers' time and improve inter-organization collaboration efforts. This customer-based approach is a great policy that will, once implemented, benefit the citizens of our state.

For the reasons stated, I am pleased to sponsor AB 833.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Runner".

GEORGE RUNNER  
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